City of Somerville Licensing Commission

Regular Meeting by Remote Participation

Monday
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Pursuant to Governor Baker's March 12, 2020 Order suspending certain provisions of the Open Meeting Law, G.L. C. 30A, s. 18, and the Governor's March 15, 2020 Order imposing strict limitations on the number of people that may gather in one place, as well as Mayor Curtatone's Declaration of Emergency, dated March 15, 2020, this meeting of the Licensing Commission will be conducted via remote participation. We will post an audio recording, audio-video recording, transcript, or other comprehensive record of these proceedings as soon as possible after the meeting on the City of Somerville website.

Copy & paste the following link into your internet browser to view this meeting live:

https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/1396454949419782669.

If you wish to submit comments on any item on this agenda, you may send written comments by US mail to the Secretary of the Licensing Commission, 93 Highland Avenue, Somerville, MA, 02143, or by email to ljbatzek@somervillema.gov. Your comments must arrive no later than 12 Noon on the day of the meeting, in order to be sure they are conveyed to the Commission.

COMMUNICATIONS

Continued from 3/15/21 Regular Licensing Commission Meeting, 4/26/21 Special Licensing Commission Meeting, and 5/17/21 Licensing Commission Meeting

1. Status of Communication from Chairman Lynch dated 2/16/21, Urging the Commission to review its Rules and Regulations and prepare a timeline to produce any proposed amendments. This communication was placed on the February 22, 2021 Agenda. Commissioner Allen submitted revised rules and regulations to City Clerk, John Long for review on 5/14/21. John Long proposed changes to this draft on 6/14/21 & 6/15/21

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2. Commissioner Allen proposing the removal of Section 4.

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- 3. Commissioner Allen proposing language to update Section 1.12.b to explicitly not apply to breastfeeding.
- 4. Communication from the City Council for the adoption of Agenda Item 211953 Pertaining to Ordinance 12-14 to grant licensing authority to the Licensing Commission for restaurants' outdoor seating on the public way.
- 5. ABCC Communication

ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES CONTROL COMMISSION ADVISORY

REGARDING THE EXPANSION OF PATIO SERVICE AND TAKEAWAY/DELIVERY OF ALCOHOL BY ON-PREMISES LICENSEES

On June 16, 2021, Governor Charlie Baker signed into law An Act relative to extending certain COVID-19 measures adopted during the state of emergency. This Act permits on-premises licensees to continue with (1) expanded patio service and (2) extends the ability to sell alcoholic beverages for takeaway and delivery:

<u>Patios/Outdoor Expansions</u>: licensees that have been approved for expanded patio/outdoor service pursuant to the Governor's executive orders <u>may continue their outdoor operations until April 1, 2022</u>. Licensees that seek to continue patio/outdoor service after April 1, 2022, are encouraged to apply in the ordinary course for an alteration of premises with their local licensing authorities. Otherwise, these amended licenses automatically revert to the status prior to the approval of the expansion of outdoor service as of April 1, 2022.

<u>Takeaway/delivery of alcohol</u>: establishments licensed for on-premises consumption of alcohol <u>may continue takeaway and delivery sales of alcohol until May 1, 2022.</u> All alcohol sold for takeaway/delivery must be sold with food and at the same price as alcohol for on-premises consumption.

As always, all licensees must ensure that they comply with the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and that sales of alcoholic beverages take place only as authorized by federal, state, and local law. All questions should be directed to the ABCC Executive Director Ralph Sacramone at rsacramone@tre.state.ma.us or (617) 727-3040 x 731.

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- 6. Minutes of the Regular Licensing Commission Meeting from 4/26/21
- 7. Minutes of the Regular Licensing Commission Meeting from 5/17/21

SPECIAL ALCOHOL LICENSES

- 8. PKL Boston LLC d/b/a PKL Boston—Anni Lierhaus, requesting approval of a Special Alcohol License for the purpose of dispensing and/or selling alcoholic beverages for PKL Boston to be held Outdoors at 325-375 Assembly Row from July 1, 2021 to July 30, 2021 from 8:00am 11:00pm (PEL21-000027)
- 9. Night Shift Brewing Matt Eshelman, requesting approval of a Special Alcohol License for the purpose of dispensing and/or selling alcoholic beverages for Owl's Nest at Assembly Row by Night Shift Brewing to be held Outdoors at 325-375 Assembly Row from July 1, 2021 to July 30, 2021 from 11:00am 9:00pm (PEL21-000038)
- 10. Somerville Police Department requesting approval of a Special Alcohol License for the purpose of dispensing and/or selling alcoholic beverages for Trum Field/Franey Rd. Annual Collier Kickball Event to be held Outdoors at Trum Field/Franey Rd. on 9/25/21 from 10:00am 5:00pm (PEL21-000037)
- 11. Cuisine en Locale JJ Gonson, requesting approval of a Special Alcohol License for the purpose of dispensing and/or selling alcoholic beverages for Once x Boynton Yards Summer Music Series. on 07/09/2021, 07/11/2021, 07/16/2021, 07/17/2021, 07/23/2021, 07/24/2021, 07/30/2021, 07/31/2021, 08/05/2021, 08/06/2021, 08/07/2021, 08/11/2021, 08/13/2021, 08/14/2021, 08/20/2021, 08/21/2021, 08/27/2021, 08/28/2021, 09/06/2021, 09/10/2021, 09/11/2021, 09/17/2021, 09/18/2021, 09/24/2021, 09/25/2021, from 12:00pm 12:00am (PEL21-000038)

12.

Continued from 4/26/21 & 5/17/21 Licensing Commission Meetings Temporary Outdoor Seating

13.

Outdoor Seating		LICENSE #	BUSINESS NAME	ADDRESS	APP. TYPE
APPL.					
DATE					

4/6/2021	Special	ALM21-000034	Rosebud	381	Outdoor Seating - Requesting
	Meeting		Restaurant,	Summer	permission to share Painted
	-		Inc.	St.	Burro seating space - Private
	4/26/21				Property

Temporary Outdoor Seating

14.

NEW OUTDOOR SEATING		LICENS E #	BUSINES S NAME	ADDRES S	APP. TYPE
APPL. DATE					
4/27/2021	Regula r Meetin g - 6/21/21	ALM21- 000047	Istanbul'lu	237 Holland St.	Outdoor Seating - Parklet - Public Property
5/6/2021	Regula r Meetin g - 6/21/21	ALM21- 000051	City Slickers Café	588 Somervill e Ave.	Outdoor Seating - Parklet - Public Property
5/17/2021	Regula r Meetin g - 6/21/21	ALM21- 000055	Zaruma Gold Coffee	37 Woodbine St.	Outdoor Seating - Private Property
6/6/2021	Regula r Meetin g - 6/21/21	ALM21- 000059	Spoke	89 Holland St.	Outdoor Seating - Public Property - adding seats from 18 to 26
6/8/2021	Regula r Meetin g - 6/21/21	ALM21- 000060	Papagayo	331 Great River Rd.	Outdoor Seating - Parklet - Public Property - adding seats from 24 to 62
6/14/2021	Regula r Meetin g - 6/21/21	ALM21- 000064	The Center for Arts at the Armory	191 Highland Ave.	Outdoor Seating - Private Property - adding seats from 20 to 52

Continued from 5/17/21 Licensing Commission Meeting Common Victualler

15.

Building Operations, LLC d/b/a Visiting Nurses Association 186 Highland Ave. Brian Bishop Hours of Operation: 7 Days a week, 3 Times per Day (AL21-000013)

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16.

Highland Pizza
22 Highland Ave.
Asim Azam
Hours of Operation: Days not listed Hours: 9AM – 9PM

(AL21-000018) *New Owners, Previous Owner: Highland Market Pizza, Inc.

Existing License All Forms City License Change of Hours

17. The Jungle Club LLC d/b/a The Jungle Club, 66 Union Sq. Plaza requesting a Change of Hours for Indoor and Outdoor Food and Alcohol service from: 5pm-1am daily (ALM21-000053)

Existing License Common Victualler License Change of Hours

18. Vinal Bakery, 222 Somerville Ave requesting a Change of Hours for Indoor Food and service see application for days and times (ALM21-000062)

Existing License
Common Victualler License
Change of D/B/A

19. Adhikari Inc. d/b/a Veggie Indian alace, 233 Elm St. requesting a Change of D/B/A from Veggie Indian Palace to India Palace (ALM21-000063)

20.

Existing All Forms Alcohol Private License Requesting A Transfer of Stock

Fraiman Enterprises Inc. d/b/a The Somerville Theater, 55 Davis Sq. requesting approval for Transfer of Stock from Melvin Fraiman (1250 shares – 100% Interest) to Richard B. Fraiman (1250 shares – 100% Interest) (ALM20-000172)

Alteration of Premises was approved under this amendment ALM20-000172 at the January 25, 2021 Licensing Commission Meeting. Change of Officers/Directors/LLC Managers was inadvertently not updated on Jan. Agenda and was approved at the February 22, 2021 Licensing Commission Meeting. A revised ABCC application was submitted on 5/13/21 to include Transfer of Stock on this application. ALM20-000172 was updated to include a Transfer of Stock, with a Change of Officers and an Alteration of Premises (*see above approvals).

Transfer of Stock to be advertised on 7/7/21 for a Vote by the Licensing Commission for the July 2021 Licensing Commission meeting.

21.

Existing All Forms Alcohol City Held License Requesting

A Change of D/B/A, a Change of Outdoor Seating from Private Outdoor Patio to Temporary Outdoor Public Parklet and an Increase in Indoor Seating from 102 to 350

Premier Restaurant Group d/b/a Da Vittorio, 519 Broadway requesting a Change in D/B/A from Da Vittorio to Premiere on Broadway, a Change in Private Outdoor Patio Seating (10 seats) to Temporary Outdoor Parklet Seating (90 seats) and a Change in Indoor Seating from 102 to 350 Seats (Previously approved for 150 indoor occupancy, will be applying for an increase to 450 occupancy). (ALM21-000061)

MARIJUANA RETAILER LICENSES New Marijuana Retailer License

Advesa MA, Inc., 690-692 Broadway requesting approval for a Group A Priority, NEW Marijuana Retailer License Hours of Operation: Mon. – Sun. 10AM - 10PM (ME21-000003)

This is the Notice of a Public Hearing for this Item. The Public is welcome to attend and be heard.